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In re Application of:)
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Jean-Louis H. GUERET) Group Art Unit: 3751
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Application No.: 10/060,234) Examiner: Huyen Le
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Filed: February 1, 2002)
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For: DEVICE FOR APPLYING A)
PRODUCT)

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

In an Office Action dated May 6, 2003, the Examiner required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one of the following allegedly patentably distinct species:

- Species I of Figs. 1A-1C;
- Species II of Figs. 2A-2D; and
- Species III of Figs. 3A-3D, 4, and 5.

The Examiner indicated that claims 1-18, 70-85, 87, and 89-92 are generic.

In addition to requiring an election of one of the above-listed species, the Examiner required a listing of all of the claims "readable" on the elected species.

Applicant provisionally elects to prosecute Species III of Figs. 3A-3D, 4, and 5.

At least claims 1-51, 60-67, 70-91, 93-123, 132-141, 144-164, 166-194, and 203-212

"read" on the elected Species III. Applicant therefore respectfully requests the examination of claims 1-51, 60-67, 70-91, 93-123, 132-141, 144-164, 166-194, and 203-212.

Further, Applicant respectfully submits that at least claims 1-18, 36-41, 60-66, 70-87, 89-91, 109-113, 132-140, 144-160, 162-164, 182-185, and 203-211 are generic. Applicant understands that upon the allowance of a generic claim, any nonelected claims which depend from or otherwise contain all of the limitations of such an allowed generic claim will be rejoined and also allowed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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